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SIR:

This Response under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 is filed in response to an August 10, 2005 Final Office Action, in connection with the above-captioned application. Please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are contained in the **Listing of Claims**, beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.